

ANNUAL REPORTS
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SELECTMEN, TREASURER, HIGHWAY AGENTS,
AND
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OF THE
TOWN OF KINGSTON,
FOR THE
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Town Officers.

SELECTMEN.

FRANK A. WOODMAN. ARTHUR H. MARSHALL.
JOHN G. FRENCH.

TOWN CLERK.

CLARENCE E. CILLEY.

TOWN TREASURER.

WALTER S. CLARK.

COLLECTOR.

BENJAMIN F. CRAM.

TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY.

GEORGE F. QUIMBY. DANIEL J. BAKIE.
FREDERICK T. FARNSWORTH.

HIGHWAY AGENTS.

FRANCIS C. BARTLETT. ELMER R. GEORGE.
ELMER A. COLLINS.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

T. O. REYNOLDS, M. D. H. L. SWEENEY, M. D.
F. A. WOODMAN.

AUDITORS.

LEVI S. BARTLETT. JOHN W. PRESCOTT.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

EMMA A. LYFORD. LEVI S. BARTLETT.
ALBERT F. NASON.

MODERATOR.

BENJAMIN F. FIFIELD.

Report of Town Officers.

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1897,	\$120 69	
Total receipts during the year,	7483 11	
	<hr/>	\$7603 80

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total disbursements during the year,	\$7284 36	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	319 44	
	<hr/>	\$7603 80

DEBTS.

Liabilities Feb. 15, 1898,	\$9986 24	
Assets Feb. 15, 1898,	2776 37	
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Balance against the town, Feb. 15, 1898,		\$7209 87
Liabilities Feb. 15, 1897,	\$9124 98	
Assets Feb. 15, 1897,	2513 43	
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Balance against the town, Feb. 15, 1897,		\$6611 55
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Increase of balance during year 1897,		\$598 32

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RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1897,	\$120 69
Taxes from collector,	5833 87
Savings bank tax,	118 00
Railroad tax,	197 42
Literary fund,	102 30
County for support of poor,	76 00
Dog licenses,	164 59
Cash received on notes,	800 00
From all other sources,	190 93

\$7603 80

DISBURSEMENTS.

Town officers,	\$414 93
County poor,	208 58
Town poor,	519 00
Breaking roads,	873 08
Highways and bridges,	918 83
Police expenses, etc.,	102 26
Damages by dogs, etc.,	14 85
Interest trust fund,	312 00
Support of schools,	1781 53
School supplies,	123 67
Abatements,	48 21
Miscellaneous,	450 76
State tax,	705 00
County tax,	811 66

\$7284 36

Excess of receipts over disbursements,

\$319 44

LIABILITIES.

Parsonage fund,	\$5200 00	
Elkins fund,	1260 00	
E. S. Sanborn fund,	2000 00	
Due schools, balance dog license,	149 74	
Due on town notes,	1376 50	
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		\$9986 24

ASSETS.

Cash in hands of treasurer Feb. 15, 1898,	\$319 44	
Remaining in collector's hands,	456 93	
E. S. Sanborn fund (on hand),	2000 00	
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		\$2776 37

DOG LICENSES.

Cash received for dogs licensed,		\$164 59
Payments :		
Constable,	\$10 00	
Damage to fowl, and abatements,	4 85	
Balance due schools,	149 74	
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		\$164 59

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TRUST FUNDS.

The Parsonage fund of \$5200.00 was hired by town some years ago to pay debt, and remains unpaid.

The Elkins fund of \$1260 was hired by town some years ago to pay debt, and remains unpaid.

The Edward S. Sanborn fund of \$2000.00 is invested in Barnilillo N. M., county bonds and in Haverhill Savings Bank, and the interest is devoted to aid poor and needy women.

PAYMENTS

PARSONAGE FUND.

Interest received, [derived from appropriation]	\$312 00
Paid religious societies,	312 00

ELKINS FUND.

Interest received, [derived from appropriation]	\$75 60
Paid schools,	75 60

E. S. SANBORN FUND.

Interest received,		\$118 86
Paid out as per vouchers,	\$115 45	
Cash on hand,	3 41	
	<hr/>	\$118 86

APPROPRIATIONS AND VALUATION.

APPROPRIATION.

State tax,	\$705 00
County tax,	811 66
Town tax, for current expenses,	1900 00
School tax by law,	705 00
School tax, additional,	500 00
School district debt,	235 00
For support of library, additional,	50 00
For observance of Memorial Day.	50 00
For highways,	842 48
Percentage added,	98 92
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	\$5898 06

VALUATION.

Non-resident valuation,	\$62,257 00
Resident real estate,	210,712 00
220 horses,	9875 00
209 cows,	4332 00
8 oxen,	270 00
11 other neat stock,	140 00
42 sheep,	135 00
4 carriages over \$50 in value,	295 00
Bank stock,	1054 00
Money at interest or on deposit,	8350 00
Stock in trade,	8970 00
Value of mills,	2200 00
284 polls,	28400 00
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	\$336,990 00

Selectmen's Report.

The sums available for expenditure during the year were as follows:

Cash in hands of treasurer, Feb. 15, 1897,	\$120 69
Uncollected taxes, 1896,	392 74
Taxes assessed for 1897,	5,898 06
Money received of state, literary fund,	102 30
Savings bank tax,	118 00
Railroad tax,	197 42
from rent of town hall,	37 50
from county for support of poor,	76 00
from dog licenses,	164 59
Cash received on notes,	800 00
for pool table license,	5 85
from state, in tuberculosis case,	15 00
from all other sources,	132 58
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	\$8,060 73

EXPENDITURES.

The Selectmen have given orders for the payment of the following bills:

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Morris Whittier, labor, March, '97,	\$1	00
F. A. Woodman & others, as per pay roll, Feb. '98,	210	68
F. C. Bartlett " "	161	49
E. R. George " "	223	78
G. L. Bragdon " "	32	58
E. A. Collins " "	228	70
John P. Hoyt and others,	14	85
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	\$873	08

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Henry French, one stick oak timber,	\$2 00
Geo. Simes, clearing drain,	2 30
E. A. Collins, on account of appropriation,	200 00
F. C. Bartlett, " " "	319 87
E. R. George, " " "	315 00
Geo. Tyler, castings for road machine,	9 75
F. J. Hanson, labor on "	3 75
F. W. Parker, for bridge plank,	35 67
L. A. Colby, "	11 04
F. C. Bartlett, repairs on road machine and cash paid for freight,	1 25

Paid H. P. Schelleh for gravel,	\$5 00
E. W. Silloway for plank,	10 25
E. A. Prescott for plank,	2 95
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	\$918 83

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid J. H. Batchelder for order books, collector's book, and for paper and envelopes,	\$5 21
Exeter Gazette, printing town reports 1896,	36 00
F. A. Woodman, delivering reports 1896,	4 25
For express on town reports,	50
L. G. Hoyt, insurance,	46 50
E. C. Eastman, record books for clerk,	4 87
W. G. Wilson, appropriation for Memorial Day,	50 00
John M. Parker, D.V. S., services tuberculosis case,	8 00
Appraisers in tuberculosis case,	1 50
John G. French, car fare and time, tubercu- losis case,	4 50
Clarence Page for burying cow,	1 00
J. W. Collins & Son, repairing pump at school house,	1 00
John Templeton, printing check lists,	6 00
D. J. Bakie, library appropriation,	92 30
Charles H. Smith, damages to self and team by defective highway,	5 00
Marcus M Bartlett, copying Vol. 2 town records,	25 00
For one record book,	3 25
Sawyer & Heath, insuring library books,	3 00
S. J. Spofford, care of town clock,	10 00
“ labor on town pump,	1 00

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Paid F. A. Woodman, making and recording taxes,	\$20 00
C. C. S. Stevens for telephoning,	1 00
F. A. Woodman, trip to Exeter to settle with commissioners,	1 50
Postage and stationery,	3 26
C. E. King, care of hall and supplies for same as per bill rendered,	36 75
Walter S. Clark, 17 trips with hearse,	34 00
Nellie F. Ingalls, preparing new books for dis- tribution and making catalogue of books,	4 00
I. O. Reynolds, M. D., return of 26 births and deaths,	6 50
C. E. Cilley, collecting and returning vital statistics,	15 05
C. E. Cilley, express and postage paid out,	2 77
W. F. Warren, reporting 5 marriages,	1 25
H. L. Sweeny, M. D., return of 10 births and deaths,	2 50
L. S. Bartlett, extra time and expense in school district affairs,	2 00
C. D. Long, 2 trips with hearse,	4 00
Bakie Bros. for pump and for drain pipe,	7 30
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	\$450 76

TOWN POOR.

Paid N. H. Orphans' Home, board of Ball children,	\$110 00
W. A. Allen, M. D., medical attendance on Meek children, cases of diphtheria,	56 00
John W. Collins & Son, support of Julia Win- slow, 52 weeks,	52 00
John W. Collins & Son, goods delivered M. W. Rogers family,	33 50

Paid for assistance to worthy poor,	\$15 00
E. A. Kimball, care of Chas. George,	4 00
Nettie E. Dane, " "	11 40
W. A. Allen, M. D., medical attendance on Chas. George,	10 00
John G. French, procuring nurse and cash paid for watchers for Chas. George,	3 50
Mrs. A. W. Nason, milk delivered Chas. George,	1 60
conveyance Helen Davis to county farm,	2 00
T. B. Smith, support of Meek family to Feb. 13,	109 00
Bakie Bros., goods delivered Nancy Davis to Feb. 12,	20 00
Bakie Bros., goods delivered Sarah J. Webster to Feb. 10,	91 00
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	\$519 00

COUNTY POOR.

Paid Fannie Sheldon, 52 weeks board of Chas. Hoyt to Feb 11, 1898,	\$52 00
John Dorr, board of Wm. Marble, 8 weeks,	15 50
for assistance rendered Geo. E. Thompson,	8 50
for assistance rendered other county poor,	132 58
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	\$208 58

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid E. A. Lyford, treasurer school district.	\$1,781 53
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Derived as follows:

Town tax by law,	\$705 00
" additional,	500 00

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Dog licenses,	\$144 43
Interest on Elkins fund,	75 60
Literary fund,	102 30
Appropriation to pay district debt,	254 20

 \$1,781 53

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Paid Rand, McNally & Co., for supplies,	\$6 17
Ginn & Co., "	32 65
American Book Co., "	15 60
G. F. King & Merrill, "	19 80
Wm. Ware & Co., "	28 70
Werner School Book Co., "	5 10
Maynard, Merrill & Co., "	15 65

 \$123 67

ABATEMENTS FOR 1896.

Paid Charles H. Pierce, poll tax,	\$1 60
Walter T. Bragdon, poll tax,	1 60
Charles R. Tucker, poll tax,	1 60
Adolph Maillett, poll tax,	1 60
Andrew Martin, poll tax,	1 60
Harry H. H. Heath, poll tax,	1 60
Moses E. Quimby, poll tax,	1 60
Charles H. Sanborn, poll tax,	1 60
John Severance, over taxed,	80
I. W. C. Webster, over taxed,	80

 \$14 40

ABATEMENTS FOR 1897.

Paid non-resident abatements,	\$22 06
Michael Dunn, maintaining watering trough,	1 50
Mary H. Pierce, " "	1 50
Moses E. Quimby, poll tax,	1 75
Charles H. Pierce, poll tax,	1 75
Stephen R. Carter, poll tax,	1 75
Leroy L. Cilley, poll tax,	1 75
Joseph Wilson, poll tax,	1 75
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	\$33 81

POLICE, CARE OF TRAMPS AND JUSTICE FEES.

Paid justice fees in case state vs. George Millbury,	\$17 66
state vs. Elizabeth Morrill,	
John Walsh and George Millbury,	14 00
justice fees, case state vs. Moses W. Rogers,	12 70
L. W. Collins, sheriff fees in Walton suit,	2 34
G. E. Mace, care of 58 tramps,	14 50
justice fees in case state vs. John Simes,	13 80
C. E. King, police service,	1 00
County of Rockingham, board of Mable Nick-	
ett at Exeter jail,	26 26
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	\$102 26

DAMAGE BY DOGS AND EXPENSES BY CONSTABLE.

[To be paid from money received from dog license.]

Paid abatements,	\$1 85
G. E. Mace, officer, for enforcing dog law,	10 00
Damage to fowl,	3 00
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	\$14 85

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PAID BY TREASURER.

State tax,	\$705 00
County tax,	811 66
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	\$1516 66

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Auditors for 1896,	\$3 00
H. L. Sweeny, M. D., for services on Board of Health and supplies as per bill rendered,	34 26
T. O. Reynolds, M. D., services Board of Health,	10 00
F. A. Woodman, services Board of Health,	7 00
John G. French, services as selectman,	25 00
Arthur H. Marshall, services as selectman,	30 00
F. A. Woodman, services as selectman and overseer of the poor,	60 00
W. S. Clark, services as treasurer,	30 00
Nellie F. Ingalls, services as librarian,	26 00
C. E. Cilley, services as town clerk,	25 00
E. A. Lyford, services on school board,	25 00
“ “ treasurer school district,	5 00
Levi S. Bartlett, services on school board,	18 00
B. F. Cram, collection of \$392.74 taxes of 1896,	7 85
B. F. Cram, collection of \$5,441.13 taxes of 1897,	108 82
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	\$414 93

Trust Funds.

[See Abstract of Report.]

PARSONAGE FUND.

Paid Universalist society,	\$85 00
Congregational society,	79 90
Methodist society,	69 70
Baptist society,	39 95
Freewill Baptist society,	37 45
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	\$312 00
Derived from interest on parsonage fund,	312 00

SCHOOL OR ELKINS FUND.

Derived from interest on fund,	\$75 60
[For expenditure see "Support of Schools.]	

EDWARD S. SANBORN FUND.

Received from Selectmen, 1896.

Bernalillo, N. M., county bond,	\$1,000 00	
Bank book,	1,000 00	
Cash,	38 86	
Interest,	80 00	
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Paid out during 1897 as per vouchers,	\$115 45	
Bond, and cash in bank,	2,000 00	
Cash on hand,	3 41	
	<hr/>	\$2,118 86

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS.

Due on trust funds,	\$8460 00	
schools, balance dog license,	149 74	
on town notes,	1376 50	
	<hr/>	\$9986 24
In hands of collector, 1897,	\$456 93	
In hands of treasurer,	319 44	
Bond and cash on hand [trust fund]	2000 00	
	<hr/>	\$2776 37
Total indebtedness,		\$7209 87

These are the current expenses of the town, and a true financial standing for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898, as approved by us.

FRANK A. WOODMAN,	} Selectmen of Kingston.
ARTHUR H. MARSHALL,	
JOHN G. FRENCH,	

Treasurer's Report.

The treasurer charges himself with receiving from all sources
the sum of \$7603 80

Derived as follows :

From treasurer of 1896,	\$120 69
collector of 1896,	392 74
“ of 1897,	5441 13
literary fund,	102 30
savings bank tax,	118 00
railroad tax,	197 42
selectmen of 1897,	266 93
town clerk, dog license,	164 59
note given F. A. Woodman,	400 00
“ W. A. Bakie,	400 00
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	\$7603 80

Treasurer has paid as follows :

State tax,	\$705 00
County tax,	811 66
Incidental expenses as ordered by the	
selectmen,	5767 70
Cash on hand,	319 44
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	\$7603 80

Money derived from dog licenses.

From town clerk,		\$164 59
Abatements and constable expenses,	\$14 85	
Balance in treasury,	149 74	
	<hr/>	\$164 59

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN, FEB. 1898.

Parsonage fund,	\$5,200 00	
School fund,	1,260 00	
Due school fund derived from dog license,	149 74	
W. S. Clark, note and interest,	546 58	
F. A. Woodman, note and interest,	416 22	
W. A. Bakie, note and interest,	413 70	
	<hr/>	\$7,986 24

RESOURCES OF THE TOWN.

Due B. F. Cram, collector's bond, 1897,	\$456 93	
Cash on hand,	319 44	
	<hr/>	\$776 37

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Net indebtedness, 1898,	\$7,209 87	
Net indebtedness, 1897,	6,611 55	
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Increase of town debt,		\$598 32
Respectfully submitted,		
	WALTER S. CLARK, Treasurer.	

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The above accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer have been examined by me, and found correctly cast and properly vouched.

LEVI S. BARTLETT, Auditor.

Reports of Highway Agents.

FRANCIS C. BARTLETT'S REPORT.

DR.

To cash received on selectmen's orders, \$319 87

CR.

Paid Roscoe L. Bartlett, 19 days labor,	\$28 50
Joshua E. G. Lyford, 10 1-2 days labor,	15 75
Morris Whittier, 21 days labor,	31 50
Forest J. Hanson, 7 1-4 days labor,	15 50
William H. Webster, 1 1-2 days labor,	2 25
Walter W. Bartlett, 15 days labor,	21 25
Clarence E. Bartlett, 14 days labor,	19 75
George B. Cilley, 3-4 day labor,	1 12
Frank W. Parker, 1 days labor with team,	3 50
E. F. Judkins. 3 days labor with team,	12 00
W. J. Bartlett, 17 1-2 days labor with team,	60 75
F. C. Bartlett, 27 1-2 days labor with team	108 00

\$319 87

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS C. BARTLETT,

Highway Agent.

Kingston, Feb. 15, 1898.

ELMER R. GEORGE'S REPORT.

DR.

To cash received on selectmen's orders, \$315 00

CR.

Paid Lewis W. Davis, for labor with team,	\$44 00
Albert F. Nason, "	45 00
Oscar R. George, for labor,	27 50
Alden W. Silloway, "	25 00
William Tucker, "	2 50
Daniel W. Sweatt, "	20 00
Newell Hill, "	1 50
Arthur L. George, "	21 00
Albion W. Nason, "	8 00
Lavada J. Davis, "	3 00
Frank W. Silloway, "	1 50
Walter S. West, "	4 50
Forest Hanson, "	4 00
Fred F. West, "	1 50
Herbert A. Page, "	2 25
Emma J. George, for gravel,	3 00
F. W. Parker, for bridge plank,	8 00
Charles George, for labor,	2 00
Seth F. Nason, "	3 50
Jacob Webster, "	1 50
Elmer R. George, use of team,	31 00
" for labor,	54 75

\$315 00

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER R. GEORGE,

Road Agent.

Kingston, Feb. 15, 1898.

ELMER A. COLLINS' REPORT.

DR.

To cash received on selectmen's orders, \$200 00

CR.

Paid Arthur H. De Lan for labor,	\$15 45
Lewis H. Kimball, "	10 20
George W. Whittier, "	1 50
Alfred De Lan, "	1 25
Fred Hartshorn, "	4 50
Edwin Nickett, "	1 50
Walter S. Bartlett, use of team,	10 50
Albert F. Nason, "	10 50
Seth F. Nason, "	10 50
Leslie Senter, for labor,	8 00
Forest Hanson, "	6 00
Edwin Lowry, "	10 50
Elmer A. Collins, "	65 00
Elmer A. Collins, use of team,	43 40
for powder and fuse,	1 20

\$200 00

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER A. COLLINS, Highway Agent.

Kingston, N. H., Feb. 15, 1898.

We have examined the accounts of the highway agents, and find them to be correct, with proper vouchers for the same.

F. A. WOODMAN,	} Selectmen of Kingston.
A. H. MARSHALL,	
J. G. FRENCH,	

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

In submitting our annual report it is a pleasure to say that during the last school year the condition of the schools has suffered no retrograde, and effective work has been accomplished.

Improved methods of instruction, uniformity of work in different schools of nearly the same grade have been productive of good results.

We believe that the present good work of our schools is only the beginning of what may be accomplished under a continuation of this system.

The character of the school depends largely upon the ability and training of the teacher.

The increasing requirements of our schools demand a more constant study and a broader knowledge of subjects and methods than in former years.

That our teachers are faithful and interested in their work is shown by their desire to acquaint themselves with modern methods of instruction.

Some of them display a talent for the occupation they have chosen, which essential feature, supplemented by experience and thorough training, cannot fail to produce good impressions upon the schools under their charge.

In the selection and continuance of teachers the Board have thought it best not to change more frequently than absolute

necessity compelled, believing that a large percentage of school money may be wasted in frequent changes. The work performed by our teachers has been satisfactory. This is especially gratifying, as some are resident teachers.

As vacancies occur from time to time, we hope that such may be employed whenever competent candidates are available.

Parents or guardians should always encourage the efforts of the teacher by a personal interest in the methods of instruction employed in the school. This can best be expressed by visiting the school and getting a better idea of just how the system is conducted.

By parents becoming personally acquainted with the teacher, the way is opened to a far more harmonious and just settlement of any difficulties which may arise between parents and teachers.

In some instances parents have thought the discipline too severe. A careful investigation, however, leads us to the conclusion that in this respect teachers have been judicious and faithful in the discharge of their duties.

As the text-books used in our schools are of recent introduction, not many changes have been made during the past year. A vertical system of writing has been introduced, and for the length of time it has been studied we are pleased with the results. Many of the children are showing good vertical penmanship in their ordinary school work.

More than the usual amount of repairs have been made during the year. The outside of the school houses, Nos. 3 and 5, have been painted at a cost of nearly \$50. Two new blackboards have been put in school house No. 2, while the other repairs made have been of the usual character.

On account of this extra expense, and nearly \$37 less of

school money, the school year was shorter than the preceding year.

There are enrolled upon the school registers 180 pupils—boys, 95 ; girls, 85.

EMMA A. LYFORD,	}	School Board
LEVI S. BARTLETT,		of
ALBERT F. NASON,		Kingston.

ROLL OF HONOR.

SCHOOL NO. 1.

Three terms—Lester Norfolk, Lawrence C. Smith. Two terms—Lilla B. Smith. One term—Iva E. Kimball, Mabel Smith, Leon Hilliard.

SCHOOL NO. 2.

Three terms—Frank B. Bartlett, Winnie H. Carter. Two terms—Laura M. Bartlett, Clarence R. Marsh, Melvin F. Marsh, George H. Sheldon. One term—Nellie M. Carter, Clifton E. Collins, George P. Edney, Leon E. Edney, Dora F. Flanders, Herschel A. Flanders, Leon Sheldon, Edward D. Simes.

SCHOOL NO. 3.

Two terms—Arthur M. Osgood, Bessie E. Tucker. One term—Junia L. Bartlett, Winifred P. Ingalls, Annie B. Osgood.

SCHOOL NO. 4.

Three terms—Lenora B. Cheney, Vesta M. Cheney, Roland W. Cheney, Willie K. Davis, Clarence I. French, Harvey R. French, Herbert C. French, Walter L. French, Eugene N. Nason. Two terms—James E. Chamberlain, David D. Cheney, Isie M. Davis, Harold P. Nason. One term—Christie B. Cheney, Everett A. Martin, Irving Nason, Herbert C. Seaver.

SCHOOL NO. 5.

Two terms—Marion Barrett, Fred Kelley. One term—Ruth Barrett, Grace Dorr, Ida Keene, Sadie Keene, Bessie Kelley, Stella Martin, Elmer Abbott, Allen Keene, Charles Keene, Victor Lowry, Roy Primrose.

KINGSTON ACADEMY.

Three terms—Perley Flanders, Leslie Woodman. Two terms—Inez Stevens. One term—Gertrude E. Bartlett, Georgia Elkins, Anna Fifield, Bertha Webster, George Carter, Harry Carter, Charles E. Osgood, Walter Webster.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

of the

SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

Unexpended school money Feb. 15, 1897,	\$7 31
Tax, by law,	705 00
Tax, additional,	500 00
Literary fund (interest),	102 30
Elkins fund (interest),	75 60
Dog licenses,	144 43
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	\$1534 64
Appropriation for school district debt,	254 20
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	\$1788 84

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers' salaries,	\$1168 50
Treasurer Kingston Academy,	200 00
J. W. Prescott, painting school houses Nos. 3 and 5,	49 80
" for blackboards,	1 50
Cleaning school houses,	11 00

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Care of	"	3	25
Wood,		45	00
Fitting wood,		3	00
Express on school supplies,		6	45
Five U. S. maps,		5	00
Cleaning well, school No. 1,		4	50
Repairs,		2	20
Supplies,		7	40
Incidentals,		1	15
Interest on borrowed money,		17	50
F. A. Woodman, enumerating children 1896,		3	50
R. Grace Bartlett, auditing school accounts 3 years,		3	00
Annie L. Cilley,	" " "	3	00
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		\$1533	73
School district debt,		254	20
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		\$1787	93
Balance in hands of treasurer,			91
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		\$1788	84

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA A. LYFORD, Treasurer.

The above accounts of the treasurer of the school board have been examined by us and found correctly cast and properly vouched.

R. GRACE BARTLETT,
ANNIE L. CILLEY.

Kingston, N. H., Feb. 17, 1898.

Report of Library Trustees.

Total Number of books,	782
Number discarded,	2
Number added during the year,	102
Given by individuals,	4
Purchased by trustees,	98
Number of cards given out,	30
Average number of books given out each week,	55

Finances :

Balance from last year,	\$ 6 54	
Received from the town,	92 30	
Received from fines and catalogues,	7 15	
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		\$105 99
Paid for books,	\$86 08	
Freight and express,	58	
Miscellaneous,	1 10	
Balance on hand,	18 23	
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		\$105 99

In our last annual report we called your attention to the fact that the present quarters were inadequate, and that better accommodations would have to be provided.

During the year, through the generosity of J. Howard Nichols, Esq., a new library building has been erected and is nearly completed. For artistic beauty and elegance of finish it will equal, if not surpass, any other library building in this county. When this building is ready to occupy, Sanborn Seminary will donate its fine library of some 1500 volumes. We shall then have a library and building that we may well take pride in.

DANIEL J. BAKIE,	}	Library Trustees.
FREDERICK T. FARNSWORTH,		
GEORGE F. QUIMBY,		

Report of the Board of Health.

Kingston, N. H., 1898.

Another year has come to its ending, and during this time the usual number, and let us be thankful, no more than the usual number of our people have passed away.

There has been the ordinary amount of illness, but no great epidemic has been upon us to work its havoc in our community.

We have had some diphtheria and very little of those other slight contagious diseases usually afflicting children. We have had nothing like what we had during the years previous to the establishing of our state board of health and its auxiliaries.

Time was, and within our recall, when we had twenty-one cases of diphtheria in the West Kingston school district at one time.

This state of affairs, if instructions are carried out, would be now next to impossible.

Let the people be well aroused to the importance of sanitation, and we shall have little trouble to keep the death rate of Kingston down to, if not far under, her now low yearly average.

The average death rate for New Hampshire is 17 per 1000 inhabitants (annually).

That of Kingston for fifteen years has been 13 per 1000.

So we are, for reasons not as yet ascertained, among the favored towns.

An attempt has been made to find out the reasons for the black death belt in the western and the eastern ends of our county, and for the light belt through its central towns, of which Kingston is prominently one.

These labors are of value to the people, or will be, when they are completed and results published.

Your board has been treated very cordially during the past year, in places where it was necessary to exercise authority, which indicates that the people are coming to understand more fully the function of these officers of the law created for its good and preservation.

It would be thought too much of an expense to the town, as a whole, should the board proceed to do its entire duty toward each and every residence and locality that such might be practically safe and immune from danger to the near dwellers: but this could easily be done by each private owner of property by paying intelligent care to all his surroundings liable to propagate contagion.

Read carefully the literature of our state board of health, issued free, and no one can claim ignorance regarding just what he is to do,

There have been in town during 1897, 17 cases of diphtheria, two fatal; one directly and one from the paralysis sometimes following.

There have also been two cases of scarlet fever, neither fatal.

Your board desires to call especial attention to the fact that although the number of cases of diphtheria may seem large, they were isolated and so scattered over the entire area of the town that proof is patent of the thoroughness with which the disinfection was done. In not a single instance was communication the cause of a next case.

Much credit is due our worthy secretary, who had charge, chiefly, of the disinfection, for the acumen displayed in preventive measures.

T. O. REYNOLDS, M. D.,	} Board	
H. L. SWEENEY, M. D.,		of
F. A. WOODMAN,		Health.

Births Registered in the Town of Kingston, N. H., for the year ending Dec. 31, '97.

Date, 1897.	Name of Child, [if any.]	Sex	No. of Child.	Laying or Still born.	Color	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
Jan.	13 Fannie Louise Smith	F	4	L		Frank T Smith	Ida M Fowler	Salisbury, Mass	Seabrook Kingston
	18 Grace Belle Silloway	F	2	L		Everett W Silloway	Ella B Hill	"	"
	20 Wilbur John Clark	M	2	L		Simeon P Clark	Mary Etta Fellows	Wilmot Mountain, N S	So. Kingston
	20 Rossie Quero	F	4	L		Andrew Quero	Annie Ball	East Kingston	England
	26 ——— York	F	4	L		Joseph W York	Ada R Chaff	Biddeford, Me	Great Falls
Mar.	29 Charles Edward Seguin	M	2	L		John Seguin	Della Dominick	Kingston	Kingston
	5 Earl Leon French	M	11	L		John G French	Addie Davis [Avery]	Kingston	Danville
	17 Florence Bakie	F	1	L		William A Bakie	Flora A Gordon	Boston, Mass	Stratham
April	17 William Russell Hilliard	M	3	L		William L Hilliard	Flora E Jewell	Kingston	St. John's, Newfoundl'd
	4 Ellen B Severance	F	5	L		Mason S Severance	Nellie Colford	Plaistow	Kingston
	6 Marcia Evelyn Ladd	F	1	L		Ottero A Ladd	Gertie M Page	Danville	"
	8 Orrel Allen Page	M	1	L		Clarence H Page	Alice Page	Kingston	Nova Scotia
	8 Ralph B Gale	M	1	L		Perley S Gale	Mary E Hewitt	"	Kingston
May	23 ——— Garland	M	3	S B		Nathaniel Garland	Minnie Brown	Brentwood	"
June	20 John Augustus Bragdon	M	2	L		Fied L Bragdon	Emma F Prescott	Malden, Mass	"
July	2 Otis Edward Hoyt	M	1	L		John W Hoyt	Nancy J Severance	Vermont	Mass
	6 ——— Simes	F	1	L		John Simes	Mary Martin	Kingston	Westfield, Mass
Aug.	14 Ena Erdene Collins	F	1	L		Henry P Collins	Edna N Hanchett	"	Kingston
	14 Jessie R Nason	M	11	L		Albion Nason	Annie Page	"	Weston
	18 Edna May Rogers	F	1	L		Ferdinand C Rogers	Mary Thompson	Wolfeboro	Kingston
Oct.	11 ——— Whittier	M	2	L		Charles B Whittier	Susie H Robinson	Derry	Derry
	19 Freeland R George	M	6	L		Dalbert O George	Martha J Hemphill	Kingston	Kingston
Nov.	16 Hayden E Cheney	M	5	L		William A Cheney	Stella A Page	Danville	Haverhill, Mass
Dec.	25 Marion Elva Towle	F	1	L		John Everett Towle	Effie Austin	"	"

Marriages Registered in the Town of Kingston, for the year ending Dec. 31, '97.

Date, 1897.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Ages in yrs.	Color	Place of Birth of each.	Name of Parents.	Conditions.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan. 2	Kingston	George B Cilley	Kingston	32		Kingston	Benjamin D Cilley	1	Rev J C Snow
		Lela M. Bartlett	"	20		"	Emma J Severance	1	Haverhill, Mass
Feb. 15	Kingston	Herbert A Page	"	45		Danville	Francis C Bartlett	2	Rev J W Bean
		Flora E Taylor	"	33		Kingston	Mary A Rowe	2	Kingston
May 5	Newton	Frank P. Rogers	"	22		"	Aaron Page	1	Rev Wilson R Terry
		Sadie E Williams	"	18		Brentwood	Valeria Allen	1	Newton
		Ernest A Daltry	S Bethlehem, Pa	24		Heckmondwike, Eng	Andrew J West	1	Rev W F Warren
		Alice M Marshall	Kingston	26		Kingston	Mary F Davis	1	Kingston
29	Kingston	Frank W French	"	43		"	Moses W Rogers	1	Rev Adoniram Patters'n
		Hattie M Collins	"	25		Boston, Mass	Mary J Winslow	1	Roxbury, Mass
29	Kingston	Herbert B Keith	West Newbury, Ms	33		St John, N B	John E Williams	1	Rev W F Warren
		Mae L Smith	Kingston	30		Portland, Me	Ella J Page	3	Kingston
June 9	Kingston	Burt A Bush	No Brookfield, Ms	26		No Brookfield, Mass	Joseph Daltry	1	Rev W F Warren
		Marion Sanborn	Kingston	25		Kingston	Anne Johnson	1	Kingston
18	Kingston	Frank L Peirce	"	26		"	Samuel O Marshall	1	Rev Adoniram Patters'n
		Elsie M Furber	"	19		"	Adeline Hurd	1	Roxbury, Mass
Aug 14	Kingston	Thomas E Hoyt	"	19		Peabody, Mass	John B French	1	Rev W F Warren
		Minnie E Carter	"	16		Merrimac, Mass	Hannah Wadleigh	1	Kingston
29	Kingston	Edward Goodwin	"	21		ingston	Joel S Collins	1	Rev Ferdinand J Ward
		Carrie P Pinkham	"	34		Manchester, Mass	John I A Furber	2	Kingston

Deaths Registered in the Town of Kingston, N. H., for the year ending Dec. 31, '97.

Date.	Name and Surname of the deceased.	Age.	Place of Birth	Male or Female.	Color	Single, Married or Widowed	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Father.	Mother.
Jan. 14	John N Downing	59 2 1	Andover, Mass	M	M	M	Samuel Downing	Ruby Frye	Andover, Mass	Andover, Mass
	Nathaniel Parker	83 4 15	Groveland, Ms	M	M	M	Nathaniel Parker	Sarah Hardy	Groveland, Mass	Groveland, Mass
	Ida May Belanger	10 11 5	Hampstead	F	M	S	Frank Belanger	Mary Porter	Canada, P. Q	"
Feb. 4	Lois Davis	91 10 20	Epping	F	F	W	Thomas Dolliver	Mary Green	Marblehead, Ms	Marblehead, Ms
	Hannah C Fields	82 4	Marbleh'd, Ms	F	W	W	Herbert B Richardson	Ida L French	Tunbridge, Vt	Kingston
25	Jasper M Richardson	1 7 4	Kingston	M	F	S	Samuel Greenleaf	Dolly Osgood	"	"
Apr. 14	Rhoda C Hall	66 1 3	Haverhill, Ms	F	F	W	William A Bakie	Flora A Gordon	Boston, Mass	Danville
26	Sarah M Clark	88 1 4	Sandown	F	F	W	Elbridge F Juddins	Polly Swain	Kingston	Candia
Mar. 17	Florence Bakie	34 1 22	Kingston	F	F	W	Leslie Senter	Laura Collins	Kingston	Kingston
May 12	Edith Webster	5	"	F	F	S	Isaac D Abbott	Nellie B Tobyne	New York	Danville
June 3	Eva Senter	8 1 29	"	F	F	S	Joseph Currier	Ruth Currier	East Kingston	East Kingston
July 6	Elizabeth Wilson	81 11 13	East Kingston	F	F	W	Perley S Gale	Mary E Hewitt	Kingston	Nova Scotia
9	Ralph B Gale	3 9	Kingston	M	In	M	Lewis Gilman	Mary J Farrington	Springfield	W. Newbury, Ms
14	Clara M Tucker	45 5 22	W Newb'y, Ms	F	M	M	Nathan Nason	Mary Wentworth	Maine	Liminster, Me
Aug. 27	Nathan Nason	66 4	Bridge-ton, Me	M	In	M	Freeman Nason	Lila Hunt	Kingston	Somerville, Mass
Oct. 20	Paul Clifton Nason	1 6 29	Kingston	M	In	In	Herbert B Richardson	Ida L French	Tunbridge, Vt	Kingston
Apr. 8	Milo L Richardson	11 11	"	M	F	M	Currier George	Sophrona Spofford	Sandown	Chester
Nov. 16	Dolly Seaver	57 9 4	Danville	F	M	M	"	"	"	"
Dec. 26	Alfred H Tuck	64 1	Kensington	M	M	M	"	"	"	"
Mar. 21	*Henrietta A Smith	80 4 14	"	F	F	In	Frank A Smith	Katie A Martin	"	Kingston
May 9	*Jessie A Smith	2 8	Kingston	F	M	M	John P Marshall	Carrie Marshall	Kingston	Kingston
July 26	*Frank Fay Marshall	39 11 9	"	M	M	M	"	"	"	"
Aug. 12	*Daniel Colcord	79	"	M	M	M	"	"	"	"

*Brought here for Burial.



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